

## **Kenny Neighborhood Association Board Meeting Minutes**

**September 19, 2017**

### Board Members Present:

Nancy Hoyt Taff, Carol Martinson, Stu Nostdahl, Jason Cronister, Kevin Eisen, Jenel Farrell, Rick Oknick

### Guests:

Nikki Friederich, Ruth Olson, Linea Palmisano

### Handouts:

Meeting agenda, Secretary's report, Treasurer's Report, KNA Coordinator's Status Report, Crime Report, Kenny Festival Financial Summary, Court Watch email from City Attorney's Office

**Meeting called to order by co-chair, Nancy Hoyt Taff, at 7:00 pm.**

Community comments: None

Secretary Report: reviewed and motion to approve – Rick, second – Jason. Approved.

Treasurer Report: reviewed and motion to approve –Carol; second – Kevin. Approved

Ward 13 Update: Linnea Palmisano.

- Beek's site – September 20 City Council meeting; if owner does not produce financial support documents from his lender, Linea will support revocation of permit. Once that is done the city will then fill the site and return it to natural vegetation.
- Police Department body camera audit. Covered results released today, will continue to be working on implementation of findings and recommendations.
- Briefly talked about open forum with Mike Freeman hosted by Fulton that was held in response to Damond shooting.
- Zero Waste group met on September 18<sup>th</sup>.
- City Budget – has not seen in detail yet. Urged involvement now versus later on providing input on proposed 5.5% levy increase.

Kenny Park Report: Nikki Friederich.

- New dance classes at Kenny drawing a great deal of interest; have six on the waiting list for Creative Dance.
- Movie in the Park – cancelled this year, but Kenny first on date options for next year. Looking at early August.
- Halloween party will be held on Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, at Armatage Park.
- Motion by Kevin, seconded by Jenel for KNA payment of \$250 for the event.
- Fire & Ice to be held in Kenny on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Fall sports underway – have 16 flag football teams; adding coffee cart on Saturday mornings; volley ball starting, but need coach.
- Also asked that we get the word out that Kenny Park is NOT an off-leash dog park. Have been receiving complaints.

Finance Structure Update – Jason, Ruth, and Nancy.

Provided overview of new and streamlined processes for deposits, checks, book keeping. Will send a written summary to the board for review and approval via email. Information is due to the city by the end of the month.

Jason also working to get a new Twitter account set up for KNA.

Annual KNA and Park Events

Board agreed that in addition to being at the events directly sponsored by KNA (Annual meeting, Open Streets, Kickin' Back at Kenny) that two board members should also be at the other events to show support, assist, and engage the community. This would include Fire on Ice, Earth Day, Ice Cream Social, Movies in the Park.

Sign up will be done a month or two prior to each event.

#### Committee Updates:

#### **Garden Update – Stu**

20 full plots this year. Very good group. Organized getting excess produce to Sabathani and is organizing a BBQ in early October. This is a self-sustaining activity.

#### **Summerfest**

- Food Trucks and donation process for games went well. Need different games for next year.
- Set-up worked well – Nancy has photo of layout to use next year.
- Consider ability to make announcements
- Clean up of tables and chairs – need to have clean up supplies and tools.

#### **Schools**

Tree work done at Kenny School due to Kathy Engen work and coordination. Kathy has resigned from board, but may still be able to do connection with school and welcome packets.

#### **Parks**

No report. Jenel offered to assist with school/playground/park work. Nancy to connect with Jenel and Kathy.

#### **Finance Committee – Business Outreach**

Business outreach – with loss of NRP funds need to supplement dollars for events. Looking in to how we can reach out to businesses in Kenny and surrounding neighborhoods where Kenny residents shop. Consider sending out a poll on Next Door to get better shopping data

#### Coordinator Report

Ruth provided a written report and discussed the email from the Minneapolis City Attorney's office on their court watch program.

Carol to call attorney to learn more about the program and its applicability to Kenny.

Motion to adjourn – Kevin; Second – Jenel.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

**Next Meeting: October 17, 2017**